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To the US, a great general is not worth as much as a good spy. The first receives epaulets and medals; the second, dollars without limitation. The Central Intelligence Agency is more powerful than the Department of State; the Pentagon rules the latter, but is subordinate to the CIA. Behind them, as supreme power, is Wall Street and its magnates of the petroleum, copper, press and telecommunications industries, United Fruit, and such sinister organizations as the Ku Klux Klan and the John Birch Society.

The trio operates in perfect harmony; Wall Street sets the tasks, the CIA moves its men, and the Pentagon invades.

The Russian revolution was a signal of alarm to the US magnates. The US Government immediately made use of its intelligence services.

In the 22 December 1917 issue of Pravda it was reported: "The most outstanding representatives of the US are involved in the Kaledin plot; they have taken all measures to provide assistance. Under the cover of a Red Cross train headed for the southwestern front, US officials Anderson and Perkins in Yassin [Iasi?] and their accomplices, Russian officers Kalpashnikov and Verblyunskiy, attempted to send dozens of automobiles and many arms to the Don for Kaledin's use."

In March 1918, the US troops participated in the occupation of the northern and eastern extremities of Russia. DeWitt Poole, US consul, was the chief of the so-called "Lockhart plot." Izvestiya of 6 November 1918 reported extensively about this conspiracy. British diplomat Reilly had the mission to divide the Red Army through corruption, sabotage, and obstruction of the shipment of foodstuffs; Vertamont, a French official, did the dirty work -- explosions at the Soviets, fires at the grocery warehouses, etc.; US commercial agent Colomatiano was responsible for the organization of espionage, corruption of high officials, and organizing acts against open cities by terrorists disguised in uniforms with markings of the Red Army.

The Office of Strategic Services (old CIA) founded a series of international organizations (very similar to the OAS, Alliance for Progress, etc.), which were supported by a dozen puppet governments. Among these was the National Committee for the Struggle for